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 Docket No. PD-990196
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In re Application of: Craig A. Finseth, et al. : Date: August 5, 2004
 Serial No. 09/536,101 : Group Art Unit: 2611
 Filed: March 24, 2000 : Examiner: Christopher R. Nalevanko
 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WATERMARKING
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Applicant petitions for an extension of time for () month(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. Fee \$ _____

An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated May 7, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

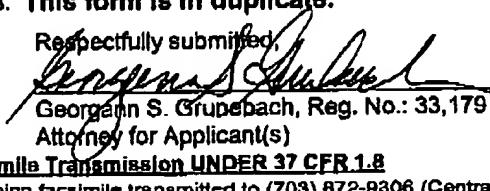
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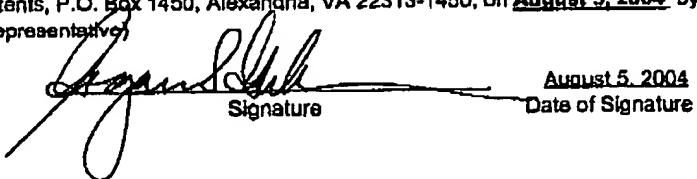
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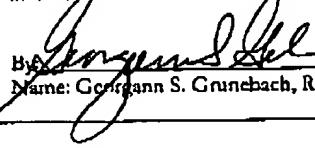
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In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.